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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Masato AKITA, et al.

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Applicant(s) wish to disclose the following information.

### REFERENCES

- ☒ The applicant(s) wish to make of record the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed references are attached, where required, as are either statements of relevancy or any readily available English translations of pertinent portions of any non-English language references.
- ☐ A check or credit card payment form is attached in the amount required under 37 CFR §1.17(p).

### RELATED CASES

- ☐ Attached is a list of applicant's pending application(s) or issued patent(s) which may be related to the present application. A copy of the patent(s), together with a copy of the claims and drawings of the pending application(s) is attached along with PTO 1449.
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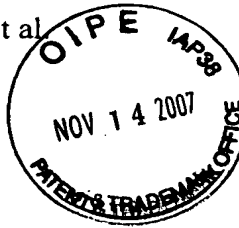
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**STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY**

**Reference AA (5,863,671) on Form PTO-1449:**

This discloses plastic mono and bipolar collector plates for fuel cell. But a single serpentine channel in the plates are not designed coming and going between plural electrode membranes without branching.

**Reference AO (6-60905) on Form PTO-1449:**

This discloses plastic monopolar collector plate for fuel cell. But channels in the plate are not designed.

**Reference AP 8-237696)on Form PTO-1449:**

This discloses a bipolar collector plate which is shared by plural electrode membranes. But a single serpentine channel in the plate is not designed coming and going between plural electrode membranes without branching. (36~39 in Fig. 10)